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4 **A RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE**

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6 Amending Chapter 1 of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances to  
7 modernize the County Board of Supervisors with the use of remote meetings and  
8 updating other rule terminology to reflect current practice  
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11 WHEREAS, Chapter 1 of the Milwaukee County General Ordinances (MCGO)  
12 outlines the rules of the County Board of Supervisors; and  
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14 WHEREAS, since March 18, 2020, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors  
15 has conducted all committee and board meetings through video conference as the  
16 COVID-19 pandemic has prohibited in-person meetings; and  
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18 WHEREAS, in a memo dated March 13, 2020, and hereto attached to this file,  
19 the Office of the Corporation Counsel opined that the County Board and its standing  
20 committees "...can legally convene remotely via telephone conference or video  
21 conference during this declared public health emergency"; and  
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23 WHEREAS, this authority to meet via telephone or video conference also  
24 extends to periods when there may not be a public health emergency based on an  
25 Attorney General Opinion cited in the memo; and  
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27 WHEREAS, the Milwaukee County Board is taking steps to enhance the video  
28 conference experience for those participating in the meeting, watching online, or for  
29 potential in-person attendance; and  
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31 WHEREAS, the MCGO should be updated to allow officials to attend public  
32 meetings remotely provided that the meeting is live-streamed, televised live, or  
33 otherwise broadcast live to the public; and  
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35 WHEREAS, Chapter 1 of the MCGO – Rules of the Milwaukee County Board of  
36 Supervisors, also has some incorrect naming or process issues that have come to light  
37 that are corrected as part of the proposed ordinance amendments; and  
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39 WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, at its special meeting of July 21, 2020,  
40 recommended adoption of File No. 20-570 (vote 6-0); now, therefore,  
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42 BE IT RESOLVED, that the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby  
43 amends Chapter 1 of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances by adopting  
44 the following:

45 **AN ORDINANCE**

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47 The Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors does ordain as follows:

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49 **Section 1. Chapter 1.01 of the Milwaukee County Ordinances is amended to**  
50 **create Section 1.01(d) as follows:**

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52 1.01. - Meetings.  
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54 (a) *Annual meeting.* The statutory or annual meeting of the county board shall be  
55 convened on the Monday next succeeding the regularly scheduled monthly meeting  
56 on the first Thursday in November for the purpose of considering reports of the  
57 committee on finance on new positions for the next fiscal year as well as  
58 recommendations for amendments to the executive's budget.

59 (b) *[Regular meetings.]* Regular meetings of the county board shall convene at 9:30  
60 a.m. unless otherwise designated. In order to provide an advanced schedule of  
61 regular meeting dates, a regular meeting of the county board shall be scheduled  
62 generally on a Thursday within each month, except when otherwise designated by  
63 the county board meeting schedule, these rules or by action of the county board.  
64 August will not have a regularly scheduled meeting of the county board. November  
65 will have a regularly scheduled monthly meeting on the first Thursday preceding the  
66 annual meeting. The county board chairperson shall provide to the county board,  
67 following the first meeting of the board after the election of supervisors, a schedule of  
68 county board meetings for the remainder of the year and, by September 15, a  
69 schedule of county board meetings for the remainder of the term, up to and including  
70 the first (organizational) meeting of the next term. The digest (agenda) for each  
71 county board meeting shall be established by the county board chairperson or, in his  
72 or her absence, by the first vice chairperson or the second vice chairperson.

73 (c) *Special meetings.* A special meeting shall be held only when requested by a majority  
74 of the members of the county board, such request to be in writing, addressed and  
75 delivered to the county clerk, who shall note the time of such delivery to him/her on  
76 such request. Such request shall specify the time and place of such meeting, which  
77 shall not be less than forty-eight (48) hours after the delivery of such notice to the  
78 county clerk. The request shall identify the purpose of such meeting and shall include  
79 reference to such other items as may be required by law, ordinance or board action.  
80 Upon receiving such request, the county clerk shall forthwith give notice of the time  
81 and place of such meeting by mail to each member of the county board. If the request  
82 is delivered to the county clerk less than seventy-two (72) hours before the time of  
83 such meeting, the county clerk, in addition to the mailing hereinbefore referred to,  
84 shall telephone each supervisor; if any supervisor is not contacted by telephone, the  
85 county clerk shall furnish to the sheriff of the county a copy of such notice of time and  
86 place of meeting for delivery to unnoticed members of the county board. The sheriff  
87 shall thereafter furnish to the county clerk an affidavit of delivery of such notice. The  
88 inability of the sheriff to deliver such notice to a supervisor shall not be deemed a

89 defect to the notice requirement under this subsection. Any special meeting may be  
90 adjourned from time to time by a vote of a majority of all members of the county board.

91 (d) Remote meetings. The County Board may convene and meet to conduct business  
92 remotely via telephone conference, video conference or other electronic  
93 communication provided that the meeting is live-streamed, televised live or  
94 otherwise broadcast live to the public.  
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96 **Section 2. Chapter 1.02(c) of the Milwaukee County Ordinances is amended as**  
97 **follows:**

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99 (c) *Sergeant at arms; duties.*

100 (1) The chairperson of the county board shall request the sheriff designate provide  
101 for each meeting a staff member(s) sheriff deputy to serve as sergeant at arms.  
102 The designated sergeant at arms shall attend meetings of the county board and,  
103 ~~under direction of the chairperson,~~ preserve order and decorum. ~~The chairperson~~  
104 ~~of the county board may request the sheriff to detail a deputy sheriff to act as~~  
105 ~~sergeant at arms when, in the discretion of the chairperson, such action is~~  
106 ~~deemed appropriate.~~

107 (2) It shall be the duty of the chairperson or the sergeant at arms to exclude from  
108 within the bench of the county board room, during its sessions, all persons except  
109 the county clerk, county clerk staff, research services staff, county board staff,  
110 corporation counsel, or designees of such persons, former members, and  
111 reporters, photographers and camera operators for the public press, radio and  
112 television, provided they observe general rules of decorum, unless such persons  
113 receive permission to be on the floor by the chairperson. However, none of those  
114 persons so designated shall have the privilege of the floor or the hall area  
115 immediately behind the county board room if registered as a lobbyist or directly  
116 or indirectly engaged in defeating or promoting any legislation before the county  
117 board. Sitting on the railing in the county board room or placing items on the  
118 railing is not permitted (except the placement of county board digests,  
119 amendments, or other pertinent information as permitted by the county board  
120 chairperson) during county board meetings and any persons engaging in such  
121 conduct shall be asked to cease such action or be removed from the county board  
122 room by the chairperson or the sergeant at arms.

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124 **Section 3. Chapter 1.03(c) of the Milwaukee County Ordinances is amended as**  
125 **follows:**

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127 **1.03 – Opening of meeting.**

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129 (c) *Order of business.* The order of business shall be as follows:

130 (1) Roll call

131 (2) Presentations by supervisors

- 132 (3) Presentation of petitions and communications
- 133 (4) Required appearance of county employees or officers, including the county
- 134 executive, to answer questions of the county board of supervisors
- 135 (5) Notice of claims
- 136 (6) Files referred to standing committees
- 137 (7) Correction and approval of the Journal of Proceedings
- 138 (8) Unfinished business
- 139 (9) Reports of county officers
- 140 (10) Resolutions and ordinances by and from standing committees
- 141 (11) Resolutions and ordinances by and from select committees
- 142 (12) County board citations ~~and certificates~~
- 143 (13) Resolutions and ordinances presented under suspension of the rules
- 144 (14) Files not referred to standing committees
- 145 (15) Announcements and remarks under special privilege
- 146 (16) Adjournment

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148 **Section 4. Chapter 1.04(c) of the Milwaukee County Ordinances is amended as**  
 149 **follows:**

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151 1.04 – Voting.

152 (c) *Roll call votes obligatory; when.* When a roll call is ordered by the chairperson, the  
 153 county clerk shall call the roll in alphabetical order, with the chairperson voting last,  
 154 and give to the chairperson the final number of those voting on each side. Debate  
 155 shall be closed with the commencement of the roll call and no motion shall be  
 156 received until after the result of the voting is announced by the chairperson. All  
 157 members shall be in the board room when voting, or present if appearing remotely  
 158 per 1.01(d) or 1.13(e). A roll call vote must be taken on:

- 159 (1) Each committee report, and any proposed amendment(s) thereto. A motion to
- 160 place on file may be by voice vote by unanimous consent;
- 161 (2) Any action under suspension of rules;
- 162 (3) Any action to suspend the rules, unless unanimous consent be granted;
- 163 (4) Elections to offices and positions to be filled by the county board unless
- 164 otherwise provided by law.

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166 **Section 5. Chapter 1.05(a) of the Milwaukee County Ordinances is amended as**  
 167 **follows:**

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169 1.05. - Speaking at meetings.  
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171 (a) *Recognition before speaking.* When any member is about to speak in debate or  
172 present any document to the county board, he/she shall rise in his/her place and  
173 respectfully address the chairperson. Upon being recognized, such member shall not  
174 be interrupted except by a call to order. If called to order by the chairperson, he/she  
175 shall take his/her seat and shall not proceed without leave of the chairperson, unless  
176 granted leave by appeal from the decision of the chairperson, sustained by the county  
177 board. When more than one (1) member desires to speak in debate or make any  
178 motion, the first member to rise shall be recognized by the chairperson. If a member  
179 is called to order at any time and refuses to take his/her seat after a request by the  
180 chairperson, or after being seated, engages in offensive or disruptive conduct, any  
181 other member may move to have him/her ejected from the county board room until  
182 such time as he/she complies with the rules of the county board and if such motion  
183 be adopted, he/she shall be removed by the sergeant at arms. The motion to eject  
184 shall be decided without debate. If a member or meeting participant is appearing  
185 remotely per 1.01(d) or 1.13(e), the chairperson shall promulgate the method to be  
186 recognized based on the technology being used. The chairperson shall also fulfill the  
187 duties of the sergeant at arms for any matter related to a member or meeting  
188 participant appearing remotely.

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190 **Section 6. Chapter 1.06 of the Milwaukee County Ordinances is amended as**  
191 **follows:**

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193 1.06. - Departure from meeting.  
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195 No member present at any meeting of the county board shall withdraw from the  
196 county board room without permission from the chairperson. If the member is appearing  
197 remotely per 1.01(d) or 1.13(e), the member must obtain permission from the chairperson  
198 to voluntarily disconnect from the mode of communication used to participate in the  
199 meeting. No member, staff person or other individual allowed on the floor shall walk  
200 between the chairperson and a member who has the floor.

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202 **Section 7. Chapter 1.08 of the Milwaukee County Ordinances is amended as**  
203 **follows:**

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205 1.08 – Specific motions.  
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207 (c) *Suspension of rules.* Except as hereinafter provided in this subsection, the rules of  
208 the county board may be suspended by unanimous consent of the members present  
209 or, if there is objection to the suspension of the rules, by the affirmative vote of two-  
210 thirds ( 2/3 ) of the members present. Sections 1.14(b) and 1.15 of the Code shall not  
211 be suspended except by unanimous consent of the members present. Citations ~~and~~  
212 ~~certificates~~ of congratulations, commendation or condolence shall not require

213 suspension of rules provided the provisions set forth in section 1.09(g)(2) of the Code  
214 are complied with.

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216 **Section 8. Chapter 1.09 of the Milwaukee County Ordinances is amended as**  
217 **follows:**

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219 1.09 – Resolutions and ordinances.

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221 (5) Except for those resolutions and ordinances which are introduced subsequent  
222 to January 1 of an election year, all resolutions and ordinances pending before a  
223 committee of the county board shall be considered to have been placed on file at  
224 the end of the term of office of the county board. A listing of all such resolutions  
225 and ordinances to be placed on file in this manner shall be distributed to all county  
226 board supervisors by the ~~county clerk chief committee clerk~~ legislative services  
227 division in January of the final year of the term.

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229 **Section 9. Chapter 1.11(c)(1) of the Milwaukee County Ordinances is amended as**  
230 **follows:**

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232 1.11 – Standing committees.

233 (c) The duties of such committees shall be to have charge of the several matters  
234 hereinafter designated but such enumeration shall not be exclusive:

235 (1) Committee on personnel. All matters affecting reclassification and  
236 compensation, hours, benefits and conditions of employment of county offices  
237 and employe personnel, and the classification and pay of additional positions;  
238 departmental policy of the civil service commission; administration of employes'  
239 award program. (The chairperson of the committee on personnel may appoint an  
240 advisory committee consisting of the county executive or designee, the  
241 corporation counsel or designee, the director of the department of administrative  
242 services or designee, the director of human resources or designee, and a  
243 member of the committee to assist in the administration of the employes' award  
244 program.)

245 Departmental policy of the department of human resources and divisions of  
246 employe benefits and labor relations.

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248 **Section 10. Chapter 1.11(c)(2) of the Milwaukee County Ordinances is amended as**  
249 **follows:**

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251 1.11 – Standing committees.

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253 (2) Committee on finance. (Seven (7) members.)

254 1. Departmental policy of: the general office of the county executive, general  
255 office of the county board, department of administrative services (divisions of  
256 administration and ~~fiscal~~ performance, strategy, and budget,  
257 information management services, procurement, and risk management),  
258 office of the comptroller, and county treasurer.

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260 **Section 11. Chapter 1.11(c)(4) of the Milwaukee County Ordinances is amended as**  
261 **follows:**

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263 1.11 – Standing committees.

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265 (4) *Committee on health and human needs.*

266 1. Departmental policy of the department of health and human services,  
267 including the divisions of behavioral health, housing, economic support,  
268 delinquency and court services, disabilities services, management services,  
269 and director's office.

270 2. All policy matters related to the office for persons with disabilities in the  
271 department of administrative services.

272 3. All matters pertaining to the department on aging.

273 ~~4. All matters pertaining to the department of family care.~~

274 5 4. All matters pertaining to the county executive's veterans service office.

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276 **Section 12. Chapter 1.11(c)(6) of the Milwaukee County Ordinances is amended as**  
277 **follows:**

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279 1.11 – Standing committees.

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281 (6) *Committee on parks, energy and environment.*

282 1. Departmental policy of department of parks, recreation and culture,  
283 zoological gardens, public museums, cultural activities (including funds for  
284 the arts), university extension service and the ~~environmental section~~ office of  
285 sustainability of the department of administrative services.

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287 **Section 13. Chapter 1.13(c) of the Milwaukee County Ordinances is amended as**  
288 **follows:**

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290 1.13 – Committee meetings.

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292 (c) *Committee general procedure.* All meetings of a committee shall be conducted in  
293 accordance with the provisions of ss. 19.81—19.98, Wis. Stats. The attendance of a  
294 majority of the members thereof shall be requisite for the transaction of business of a

295 committee. A committee member who participates in a meeting of the committee by  
296 telephone, video conference, or by other means of telecommunication or electronic  
297 communication is considered present. Without a majority in attendance, a committee  
298 may consider informational items only. Committee agenda are to be prepared so that  
299 members of the county board and other interested parties will receive the agenda by  
300 United States, electronic or interoffice mail at least twenty-four (24) hours before the  
301 scheduled committee meeting. A committee chairperson must schedule a county  
302 board referred item within a maximum of two (2) regular county board committee  
303 cycles. Once scheduled and publicly noticed, an item may only be withdrawn  
304 according to the provisions of section 1.13(d)(8). If the item is withdrawn by sole  
305 action of the committee chair pursuant to section 1.13(d)(8), the item must be placed  
306 on the committee agenda for the next regularly scheduled meeting and may not be  
307 withdrawn again.

308 The committee coordinator shall enter in appropriate files kept for that purpose, a  
309 complete record of all such committee meetings, including attendance, appearances for  
310 and against pending matters, and minutes of the proceedings, including all motions made  
311 and by whom, how each member voted upon each matter considered, together with the  
312 final action by the committee thereon. All actions taken by the committee shall be by roll  
313 call vote, however a motion to place on file may be taken by voice vote without objection.  
314 No action shall be taken on any proposed ordinance unless it be in written form before  
315 the committee.

316 Except as herein provided and so far as applicable, the rules of procedure of the  
317 county board shall apply to committee meetings. Minority rules shall not apply to  
318 committee meetings.

319 After the conclusion of the committee meeting, the committee coordinator shall  
320 prepare a separate, written report of the action of the committee upon those matters  
321 considered by it which require county board approval, for submission to the county board  
322 for action of that body. Such report shall be made up in such manner that the county  
323 board may take action upon it as a whole, or may set aside any portion of it for separate  
324 action. Any member of any committee may make a minority report of said committee on  
325 any recommendation to the board contained in the committee report. Such minority report  
326 must be presented when the matter is considered at the meeting of the county board.

327 Except as provided in the preceding sentence, it is the duty of the committee to make  
328 a report to the county board on matters referred to such committee with some definite  
329 recommendation for disposition of such matters.

330 When members of a committee or joint committee present at any meeting thereof,  
331 are, by recorded vote, evenly divided as to the disposition to be made of any subject  
332 matter referred to and pending before such committee or joint committee, such subject  
333 matter shall be returned to the next meeting of the county board without recommendation  
334 and the committee or joint committee shall thereupon be deemed to be discharged from  
335 consideration thereof.

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337 **Section 14. Chapter 1.13(e) of the Milwaukee County Ordinances is created as**  
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1.13 – Committee meetings.

(e) Remote meetings. Standing committees may convene and meet to conduct business remotely via telephone conference, video conference or other electronic communication provided that the meeting is live-streamed, televised live or otherwise broadcast live to the public.

**Section 15. Chapter 1.16(c) and 1.16(d) of the Milwaukee County Ordinances is amended as follows:**

1.16 – Requests relating to personnel matters.

~~(c) Review by county board staff. If the personnel request is for new positions in the department of administrative services, it shall also be reviewed by the county board staff and a recommendation regarding the necessity for the requested positions submitted to the committee on finance. If the request relates to reclassifications, reallocations, appointments at an advanced step of the pay range and advancements within the pay range in the department of human resources, it shall be reviewed by the county board staff and processed in a manner consistent with the authority granted to the director of human resources under chapter 17 of the Code.~~

(dc) *Urgent requests.* Any personnel request requiring county board action which is considered sufficiently urgent and necessary to require that it become effective in the current year, shall not become effective unless an ordinance or resolution relating thereto is adopted by an affirmative vote of two-thirds ( 2/3 ) or more of the members-elect of the county board. If such ordinance or resolution is not adopted by such vote, but nevertheless receives the affirmative vote of a majority of a quorum of the county board, the provisions of section 17.06 of the Code shall apply. Any ordinance or resolution relating to a personnel request which requires an appropriation of funds must contain a provision for the necessary transfer of funds.

**Section 16. Chapter 1.18 of the Milwaukee County Ordinances is amended as follows:**

1.18. - Communications, reports, departmental requests, reference files.

(a) *Reference of communications and reports.* All communications to the county board, reports of county officers, requests of county officers, requests of department heads and employes, and communications from the county executive, which are not in response to an existing county board file, or a previous request from a committee, shall be addressed to the county board chairperson who may ~~shall~~, ~~within five (5) business days of receipt of the document~~, refer said document to the appropriate standing committee(s) for a report. The date upon which the chairperson refers the said document(s) shall be deemed as the official referral date to the committee(s). Said action by the county board chairperson shall be deemed as authorization to the

384 appropriate standing committee chairperson(s) to schedule the matter for review. If  
385 the chairperson does not refer the communication, report or request to the  
386 appropriate standing committee, that was submitted in compliance with the deadline  
387 and/or procedure established by the chairperson, within five (5) business days after  
388 receipt, that communication, report or request shall automatically be placed on the  
389 agenda of the county board at the next meeting as an item not yet referred.  
390 presentation of communications that is published in the official proceedings of the  
391 county board at the next meeting for referral to the appropriate standing committee.  
392 Any member of the county board may make a non-debatable motion to refer a file not  
393 yet referred by the chairperson to a standing committee by a majority vote of  
394 members present. Items that are for information only in response to an existing  
395 county board file or a previous request from a committee shall be addressed to the  
396 respective committee chairperson and a copy shall be provided to the county board  
397 chairperson. Except for those communications and reports which are introduced  
398 subsequent to January 1 of an election year, all communications and reports pending  
399 before a committee of the county board shall be considered to have been placed on  
400 file at the end of the term of office of the county board. A listing of all such  
401 communications and reports to be placed on file in this manner shall be distributed to  
402 all supervisors by the legislative services division ~~county board chief committee clerk~~  
403 in January of the final year of the term.

404 (b) *Copy of communications and reports to legislative services and research services*  
405 *divisions ~~chief committee clerk~~.* A copy of all such communications and reports,  
406 submitted to the county board chairperson, shall also be transmitted to the legislative  
407 services and research services divisions ~~county board chief committee clerk or other~~  
408 ~~committee clerks~~ via the electronic legislative file system used by the county board.

409 (c) *Reference files.* The county board chairperson, ~~upon request from the chief~~  
410 ~~committee clerk,~~ shall be authorized to establish reference files to be utilized by the  
411 standing committees for submission of recommendations to the county board  
412 concerning matters referred to the committees on an ongoing or continuous basis, or  
413 for receipt of informational reports from departments.

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415 **Section 17. Chapter 1.21 of the Milwaukee County Ordinances is amended as**  
416 **follows:**

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418 1.21. - Consideration and confirmation of appointments.

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420 Every nomination by the county executive for appointment of individuals set forth  
421 under section 17.30, County Ordinances, or appointment by the county executive or  
422 county board chairperson of a member of a board or commission required to be confirmed  
423 by the county board shall, when presented to the county board by the county executive,  
424 be referred to the standing committee having jurisdiction over the office, board or  
425 commission. At least five (5) business days prior to the date of the meeting at which the  
426 appointment is to be considered, the nominee shall be notified in writing by the appointing  
427 authority to appear before the committee. Confirmation of such appointment shall be  
428 determined by roll call vote. The foregoing requirement of references shall not apply to

429 members of the county board nor to members of any board or commission nominated for  
430 reappointment to their own position. ~~The county clerk shall notify the county executive or~~  
431 ~~county board chairperson, in writing, of the rejection of confirmation by the county board~~  
432 ~~of all appointments.~~

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434 **Section 18. Chapter 1.23(b) of the Milwaukee County Ordinances is amended as**  
435 **follows:**

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437 1.23. - Repeal, amendment or correction of rules.

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439 (b) *Correction of errors.* The legislative services county clerk or research services  
440 divisions shall have authority to correct any ordinance, resolution or memorial for:

441 (1) Spelling errors,

442 (2) Punctuation,

443 (3) The use of one word for another (e.g. affect for effect),

444 (4) Mistakes in numbering/lettering of sections and subsections,

445 (5) Insertion of an "ordaining" clause in an ordinance when such clause has been  
446 inadvertently omitted,

447 (6) Insertion of a current department, division, board, commission, committee or  
448 council that replaces that of a former name,

449 (7) Insertion of a current position title to replace that of a former position title, and

450 (8) Insertion of a current state statute number to replace that of a former state  
451 statute number.

452 The legislative services and research services divisions ~~county clerk~~ shall operate within  
453 the framework of the corrections enumerated here, with corporation counsel approval as  
454 appropriate, and the authority granted herein shall in no way usurp the proper legislative  
455 process. Legislative services and research services staff may edit the attachments  
456 submitted via the electronic legislative file system used by the county board to establish  
457 consistent font, appearance, and naming conventions.

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459 **Section 19. Chapter 1.24(1)(c) of the Milwaukee County Ordinances is amended as**  
460 **follows:**

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462 1.24 – Budgetary procedure.

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464 (c) Upon receipt of the county executive's budget, ~~county board~~ research services  
465 staff shall prepare, for distribution to all county supervisors and any interested  
466 county officials and citizens, a written overview of the budget, which addresses

467 including sections addressing major tax levy changes, overview/policy changes,  
468 issues, concerns and questions and capital improvements.

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470 **Section 20. Chapter 1.24(3)(a) of the Milwaukee County Ordinances is amended as**  
471 **follows:**

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473 (3) *Committee on finance hearings.*

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475 (a) The committee on finance shall not commence its review of the executive  
476 budget until at least seven (7) days succeeding the official receipt of the executive  
477 budget, in order to allow supervisors finance members, and county board, and  
478 research services division staff sufficient time to review the budget, ~~meet with~~  
479 ~~departmental personnel and develop suggested amendments to the budget.~~ It is  
480 also intended that this period will be utilized by other supervisors ~~not on the~~  
481 ~~committee to familiarize themselves with the budget and to discuss the budget~~  
482 with constituents and stakeholders and begin preparation of budget amendments  
483 ~~so as~~ to allow for introduction of those amendments during the time the committee  
is conducting hearings.

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485 **Section 21. Chapter 1.25(4) of the Milwaukee County Ordinances is amended as**  
486 **follows:**

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488 1.25. - Directives of the county board; how enforced.

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490 (4) *Political activity prohibited.* The heads of county departments, bureaus, boards and  
491 commissions or any other member of their respective departments, bureaus, boards  
492 and commissions, in their official capacities, are prohibited from recommending any  
493 changes or amendments of the laws of the State of Wisconsin to the legislature of  
494 the State of Wisconsin, or to any committee of the legislature, or to any member of  
495 the legislature of the State of Wisconsin without first submitting to the county board  
496 any changes or amendments of the laws of the State of Wisconsin and obtaining the  
497 approval of and a directive from said county board. In instances where matters are  
498 before the legislature at times when the county board is not in session, or when a  
499 meeting of the county board cannot be practicably convened, the directive of the  
500 committee on intergovernmental relations shall serve as said policy directive. In rare  
501 instances where a meeting of said committee cannot be called to consider a matter  
502 before the legislature of an immediate and urgent nature, which directly impacts on  
503 Milwaukee County, notice of such situation shall be given to the chair of the county  
504 board and the chair of the committee on intergovernmental relations, who shall give  
505 immediate direction on said matter. Final direction will subsequently be given by the  
506 committee on intergovernmental relations and, if deemed necessary, by the county  
507 board. The process outlined in this section shall also apply to the recommendation of  
508 any changes or amendments to the laws of the United States to the United States  
509 Congress, or to any committee of the Congress, or to any member of the Congress.

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511 **Section 22.** The provisions of this Ordinance shall become effective upon passage and  
512 publication.

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